

**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
FOREST SERVICE
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**SPECIAL ORDER OF FOREST SUPERVISOR
UINTA-WASATCH-CACHE NATIONAL FOREST
FOREST WIDE**

OCCUPANCY AND USE

PROHIBITIONS:

Pursuant to Title 36 CFR §261.50 (a) the following acts are prohibited within the Uinta-Wasatch-Cache National Forest, until further notice:

1. Possessing, storing, or transporting a *Dreissena* mussel as prohibited by Utah State Law Title 23, Chapter 27 (Aquatic Invasive Species Interdiction Act). [36 CFR §261.58(s)]

EXEMPTIONS:

Pursuant to 36 CFR §261.50 (e) the following persons are exempt from this order:

1. Any Federal, State, or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty.

AREA DESCRIBED:

The area within the boundaries of the Uinta-Wasatch-Cache National Forest, see attached map.

PURPOSE:

The purpose for this closure is to protect the National Forest System from damage caused by aquatic invasive species, and to cooperate with Utah Division of Wildlife Resources (Forest Service Manual 2900).

Aquatic invasive species, such as quagga /zebra mussels, are major threats to natural systems and human infrastructure. These species jeopardize power and water facilities, damage ecosystems, and impair recreation.

DEFINITIONS:

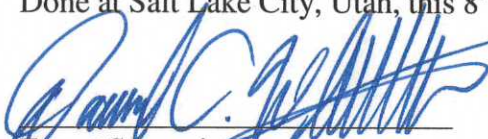
"*Dreissena* mussel" means a mussel of the genus *Dreissena* at any life stage, including a zebra mussel, a quagga mussel, and Conrad's false mussel. U.A.C. 23-27-102.

Other terms are defined in accordance with 36 CFR §261.2.

IMPLEMENTATION:

1. This Order will be in effect when signed and shall remain in effect until further notice.
2. Any violation of this prohibition is punishable by a fine of not more than \$5,000.00 for individuals and \$10,000.00 for organizations and/or imprisonment for not more than six (6) months. [Title 16 USC 551, Title 18 USC 3571(b)(6), Title 18 USC 3581 (b)(7)].
3. This Order supersedes any previous orders prohibiting the same acts covered by this Order.

Done at Salt Lake City, Utah, this 8th day of May, 2013.



Forest Supervisor

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